

IN THE CLAIMS:**Please amend the claims as follows:**

38. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a sequence of nucleotides which encodes an extracellular domain of a haemopoietin receptor.

41. (Amended) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 39 wherein said immunoglobulin-like domain consists essentially of amino acids 28-118 of SEQ ID NO:4.

42. (Amended) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 40 wherein said haemopoietin receptor domain consists essentially of amino acids 119-341 of SEQ ID NO:4

43. (Amended) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of Claim 37, encoding a polypeptide consisting essentially of amino acids 26-345 of SEQ ID NO:4.

44. (Amended) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of Claim 37, encoding a polypeptide consisting essentially of amino acids 26-426 of SEQ ID NO:4.

48. (Amended) The isolated nucleic acid sequence of Claim 37 wherein said sequence consists essentially of nucleotides 136-1095.

49. (Amended) The isolated nucleic acid sequence of claim 37 wherein said sequence consists essentially of nucleotides 136-1338.

50. (Amended) The isolated nucleic acid sequence of claim 37 wherein said sequence consists essentially of nucleotides 142-414.

51. (Amended) The isolated nucleic acid sequence of claim 37 wherein said sequence consists essentially of nucleotides 415-1083.